Fake purchase of underground Cable Locator

†2243. SHRI RAMADHAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether some serious complaints of fake purchase of underground cable locator worth Rs. Five lakh have been received against some District Managers of Lucknow circle;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have taken any action against such officers, and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN): (a) No. Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise in view of (a) above.

Allotment of Foodgrains

2244. SHRI N.R. DASARI: Will the Minister CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of foodgrains wheat and rice allotted to each States during the year 1998-99, 1999-2000, 2000-2001 and 2001-2002 and the six months from April to October, 2002 for distribution through the Public Distribution System;

(b) whether Government have effected any change in the policy of distribution of wheat, rice, kerosene and sugar through the PDS during the years 1999-2000, 2000-2001, 2001-2002 and six months from April, 2002; if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of instances when Government had increased the prices of PDS items during the above period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI U.V. KRISHNAM RAJU): (a) The statements I and II shwoing quantity of rice and wheat allocated to the States during the years 1998-99, 1999-2000, 2000-2001,

†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

2001-2002 and from April, 2002 to October, 2002 under TPDS are enclosed (*see* below)

(b) *(i) Rice and wheat*

With the introduction of TPDS from June, 1997 the allocation of foodgrains to States\UTs is made as per TPDS guidelines. The quantity of foodgrains for families below the poverty line (BPL) has been increased from initial 10 kg. per family per month to 20 kg. from April, 2000; to 25 kg. from July, 2001 and to 35kg. from April, 2002.

The allocation for families above the poverty line (APL) which was being made on historical basis has also ben fixed @ 35 kg. per APL family per month from April, 2002. Allocation to Antyodaya families which was fixed at 25 kg. per family per month at the time of implementation of Antyodaya Anna Yojana in March, 2001, has been increased to 35 kg. per family per month from April, 2002.

The allocation under TPDS was made as per the number of estimated families on the basis of population estimates of 1995. From 1-12-2000 the population base was revised to the population projection of the Rigistrar General as on 1-3-2000.

(ii) Sugar

The monthly levy sugar quotas are allocated on uniform norms and not on the basis of demand or reuests received from State Governments. From January, 1996 till February, 2000 the allocation is made @ 425 grams per person per month for the population as per 1991 census. From March, 2000 the population base was revised as per population projections of 1-3-2000. The quantity of sugar allocated was increased from 425 grams to 500 grams per person per month from July 2000. In the case of following 16 States/UTs the levy sugar quota is allotted on higher per capita availability in view of the special circumstances in these States/UTs:-

Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Arunachal Pradesh, Chandigrah, Assam, Delhi, Himachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Lakshadweep, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Pondicherry, Tripura, Jammu & Kashmir and Uttaranchal.

With the reducation of levy obligation from 40% to 30% with effect from 1.1.2000, the income tax assessees and their family members were excluded from the purview of the PDS sugar from July, 2000. Government

restructured PDS for sugar with effect from 1.2.2001. Under the restructured PDS, the supply of levy sugar was restricted to BPL families in the country except in the north eastern States, hill States and island territories where supply of sugar was allowed to all ration card holders.

(iii) Kerosene

Kerosene is an allocated product. During the years 1999-2000 & 2000-20001, the National Per Capita average allocation was 12.4 kg/annum. Based on the liquified Petroleum gas (LPG) connections released, the Kerosene allocation was proportionately reduced. Based on these, during the years 2001-2002 and 2002-2003, the National Per Capita average allocation came down to 9.76 kg/annum and 9.35 Kg annual respectively. Accordingly, the State-wise allocation was reduced on the basis of LPG connections released to each State/UT. As regard subsidy, effective 10.04.2002, the subsidy on PDS Kerosene and domestic LPG is to be on a speicified flat rate basis to be borne by the Consolidated Fund of India.

(c) *(i) Rice and wheat*

The Central Issue Prices (CIP) of rice and wheat fixed under TPDS since 1999 are as under:

(Rs. per quintal)

Effective from	CIP of Wheat		CIP of Rice	
	BPL	APL	BPL	APL
1	2	3	4	5
29.1.1999	250	650	350	905
1.4.1999	250	682	350	905
1.4.2000	450	900	590	1180
25.7.2000	415	830	565	1130
12.7.2001	415	610	565	830
1.4.2002	415	510	565	730
1.7.2002	415	610	565	830

(ii) Sugar

The Retail Issue Price (RIP) of levy sugar under PDS was increased during the period 1999-2000 to 2002-2003, as indicated below:

(Rs. per quintal)

Effective	Retail Issue Price
15.2.1999	1200
1.3.2000	1300
1.3.2001	1325
1.3.2002	1350

(iii) Kerosene

The revision in the ex-storage point price of the PDS Kerosene for the period 1999-2000 onwards has been as follows:

(Rs. per litre)

Date of price revision	Price before revision	Price after revision
29.3.2000	2.00	4.50
30.9.2000	4.50	7.00
22.11.2000	7.00	6.11
1.3.2002	6.11	6.86

Statement-I

(Rice)

(In '000 Tonnes)

Allotment of Rice during the years 1998-1999, 1999-2000, 2000-2001, 2001-2002 and 2002-2003 (April, 2002 to October, 2002) Under TPDS

Sl. No.	States/UTs	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-2001	2001-2002	2002-2003 (April-Oct., 02)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	Andhra Pradesh	2350.40	2300.40	3179.26	3153.48	2228.01
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	109.20	109.20	88.70	95.91	66.27

1	2	3		4	5
3. Assam	620.00	670.00	788.71	854.49	744.14
4. Bihar	507.36	507.36	837.44	786.10	1165.50
5. Chhatisgarh	-	-	126.42	451.98	695.32
6. Delhi	164.68	154.68	163.32	175.59	222.21
7. Goa	75.96	75.96	49.07	50.25	53.46
8. Gujarat	356.00	292.50	559.53	462.95	775.73
9. Haryana	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
10. Himachal Pradesh	144.87	146.76	98.69	250.89	194.94
11. Jammu & Kashmir	386.53	433.27	262.92	284.69	272.09
12. Jharkhand	-	-	82.24	288.96	276.49
13. Karnataka	940.00	900.00	1485.27	1157.47	1579.61
14. Kerala	1788.84	1743.84	1746.54	1821.86	1174.63
15. Madhya Pradesh	417.20	412.20	577.45	411.06	834.91
16. Maharashtra	722.48	762.48	790.06	1087.74	1632.50
17. Manipur	122.52	125.00	65.53	71.37	49.18
18. Meghalaya	209.58	207.58	224.77	162.12	66.56
19. Mizoram	125.08	125.08	95.66	101.34	41.33
20. Nagaland	125.80	125.10	122.04	130.03	54.14
21. Orissa	656.98	1169.86	994.56	1040.15	1673.35
22. Punjab	11.52	11.52	20.16	21.44	89.18
23. Rajasthan	47.47	15.86	33.06	16.93	50.58
24. Sikkim	87.72	87.72	92.56	48.02	37.82
25. Tamil Nadu	1310.76	1814.76	1582.94	1847.18	3405.01
26. Tripura	200.00	197.50	164.89	180.08	165.57
27. Uttar Pradesh	632.40	739.70	873.44	945.40	2553.61
28. Uttaranchal	-	-	24.76	86.75	167.83
29. West Bengal	567.25	518.60	874.82	1015.16	1099.26
30. A & N Islands	30.00	30.00	31.80	32.48	20.13
31. Chandigarh	3.60	3.60	2.52	2.71	7.91
32. D & N Haveli	6.60	6.60	5.11	5.77	6.34
33. Daman & Diu	7.20	7.20	1.85	2.08	5.60
34. Lakshadweep	3.15	6.30	6.54	6.64	3.92
35. Pondicherry	26.00	24.00	38.57	27.31	55.69
Total	12757.14	13724.61	16091.22	17076.35	21468.79

Statement-II

(Wheat)

(In '000 Tonnes)

Allotment of wheat during the years 1998-1999, 1999-2000, 2000-2001, 2001-2002 and 2002-2003 (April, 2002 to October, 2002) under TPDS

Sl. No.	States/UTs	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-2001	2001-2002	2002-2003 (April-Oct., 02)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	Andhra Pradesh	137.00	141.00	96.00	96.00	89.64
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	7.20	7.80	8.20	8.93	6.62
3.	Assam	363.60	213.90	123.60	123.60	352.98
4.	Bihar	831.04	861.04	1256.17	1359.11	1735.75
5.	Chhattisgarh	-	-	42.13	128.70	323.28
6.	Delhi	694.80	724.80	511.68	517.82	565.70
7.	Goa	33.72	33.72	23.15	23.70	26.37
8.	Gujarat	494.00	739.50	919.29	1038.34	1448.52
9.	Haryana	156.60	156.60	184.56	216.53	905.84
10.	Himachal Pradesh	139.70	142.44	106.75	122.12	123.39
11.	Jammu & Kashmir	364.55	364.55	123.84	130.92	128.84
12.	Jharkhand	-	-	123.35	433.43	414.72
13.	Karnataka	300.00	420.00	363.07	289.37	394.90
14.	Kerala	452.64	452.64	452.64	452.64	261.28
15.	Madhya Pradesh	503.88	503.88	814.76	939.53	1772.43
16.	Maharashtra	1178.16	1208.16	1465.14	2041.46	3023.26
17.	Manipur	32.60	23.22	20.52	20.52	10.36
18.	Meghalaya	29.52	14.46	12.00	12.00	3.57
19.	Mizoram	24.06	14.08	15.12	12.12	6.24

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
20.	Nagaland	38.06	23.49	23.04	24.98	18.53
21.	Orissa	435.00	420.00	102.30	0.00	120.00
22.	Punjab	61.56	61.56	107.56	134.13	1044.60
23.	Rajasthan	849.56	633.22	1251.94	1412.64	2360.76
24.	Sikkim	10.68	2.09	1.20	1.20	1.09
25.	Tamil Nadu	350.00	360.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
26.	Tripura	21.60	17.16	15.36	15.36	13.70
27.	Uttar Pradesh	1319.04	1529.44	1798.58	2032.49	5085.92
28.	Uttaranchal	-	-	16.96	57.55	231.82
29.	West Bengal	1047.35	1061.10	1354.90	1254.30	2616.50
30.	A & N Islands	7.50	9.00	9.84	10.16	6.48
31.	Chandigarh	21.60	21.60	15.48	16.97	45.46
32.	D & N Haveli	3.00	3.00	1.35	1.59	1.75
33.	Daman & Diu	2.40	2.40	0.75	0.87	1.46
34.	Lakshadweep	0.25	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.29
35.	Pondicherry	9.00	9.00	6.24	0.24	2.55
	TOTAL:	9919.66	10175.35	11367.96	12931.78	23194.56

Purchase of foodgrains by FCI

2245. SHRI N.R. DASARI: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of paddy or rice purchased by the Food Corporation of India (FCI) during the years 1997-98, 1998-99, 1999-2000, 2000-2001 and the period from April to September, 2002, State-wise;